

this small work the author has endeavored to provide a ready and complete pocket reference book for junior students and nurses in surgical work. The scientific principles upon which the modern treatment of wounds is based, are fully explained, so that the instructions in dressings and bandaging may be intelligently followed. In order to make these explanations as clear as possible, the little book has been profusely illustrated." The illustrations are really descriptive.—P. M. J.

The American Journal of Orthopedic Surgery, to be published by the American Orthopedic Association, has issued its first number. The Journal is to be a quarterly, and will contain the papers presented at the meeting of the Association and other papers on Orthopedic Surgery by members and non-members. A strong feature is to be a complete resume of orthopedic literature, so that each year's volume shall contain the whole of the year's literature in full or in abstract.

The Journal is to be published in Boston, and is under the charge of an Editorial Committee consisting of Robert W. Lovitt, of Boston; B. E. McKenzie, of Toronto, and Harry M. Sherman, of San Francisco.

The present number contains articles by L. A. Weigel, the president at the time of the meeting, on "The Family Physician, the Specialist and the Patient." V. P. Gibney, "The Correction of Deformity at the Hip, the Result of Disease: A study of the Best Methods and Best Positions"; E. H. Bradford, "Subtrochanteric Osteotomy in Adults, in Adolescents and in Young Children"; R. Tunstall Taylor, "The Mechanical vs. Operative Treatment of Rachitic Deformities of the Lower Extremities, Presenting a New Osteoclast"; Wallace Blanchard, "The Surgical Pathology of Genu Varum and Genu Valgum"; R. W. Lovett, "The Occurrence of Painful Affections of the Feet Among Trained Nurses"; W. Barton Hopkins, "A Further Consideration of a Modified Form of Osteotomy Combined with Osteoclasis, Osteotomoclasis"; Joel E. Goldthwait, "A Consideration of the 'Round Shoulder' or 'Stoop-shoulder' Deformity in Children, with Especial Reference to the Proper Adjustment of the Clothing in Preventing and Treating Such Conditions"; W. R. Townsend, "The Abuse of Flatfoot Supports," and Royal Whitman, "The Importance of Supplementing Tendon Transplantation in the Treatment of Paralytic Talipes by other Procedures Designed to Assure Stability."

In this number are twenty-two abstracts of orthopedic papers. In its make-up the Journal shows excellent taste and good mechanical work.

The Alumni Bulletin of the University of California Medical Department begins its second year with a very creditable number. Judging of its usefulness by its material, it is evident that the "Bulletin" is accomplishing much. The number is full of reports of addresses at the meetings of the Alumni Association and of communications from members, all concerning the interest the Association should have and must have in the Medical Department and its welfare and growth. Not a few of the expressions are critical, and that is healthy, for it, too, shows interest. The scientific papers are few and brief, but the "Bulletin's" first object is to bring the individual alumni in touch with each other through the medium of its publication, and when the Association has become stronger, as it must with the continuation of its present course, we shall expect to see the scientific work of its members reported in its pages.

The Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, in its issues for September 17 and 24, and October 1, publishes "The Ill Health of Francis Parkman," by Dr. Geo. M. Gould. This essay is a further addition to the studies which Dr. Gould has been making for some time past, one volume of these Biographic Clinics having already been published and reviewed in these pages. Whether or not we agree with Dr. Gould in believing that eye-strain has such an important place in the formation or malformation of character, and indeed, physical development, we must concede that he has shown a masterful study of his subject, a delightful erudition and a keen reasoning faculty that cannot but gain at once our admiration. In these days few pieces of work are so well or so carefully done as they should be, and it is an added joy to see such clean-cut work come from such a busy workshop. There seems to be little doubt that Dr. Gould has demonstrated his point to at least a considerable extent, and that he has shown to be true, within reasonable margin for question, the fact that eye-strain does materially affect a man's working faculties and his output. Also that eye-strain has existed and may exist for years, if not for a generation, without being located as the cause of trouble and properly attended to, will have to be conceded to his logic. Dr. Gould is an extremist, but then, are not extremists sometimes in the right and conservatives in the wrong? It is to be hoped that the essay last published will be issued in pamphlet form so that a more careful study may be made with the whole of the material he has presented.

The October issue of the *International Journal of Surgery* is one of very great interest to those who practice or may be pursuing the study of radiotherapeutics. The number contains papers, profusely illustrated, by leading electrotherapists, which very fully cover the field of this comparatively new medical science. Among the titles are "Treatment of Cancer," "Cure of Lupus Erythematosus by Actinic Light," "Therapeutic Value of the X-Ray," "How to Secure the Best Skiagrams," "New Treatment of Cicatrices," etc.

Reclamation of Alkali Land at Fresno, California, by Milton Whitney, Chief of the Bureau of Soils, Department of Agriculture.

Proceedings of the Good Roads Convention, held at St. Louis, Mo., April 27th to 29th, 1903. Department of Agriculture.

Proceedings of the Fifth and Sixth Annual Meetings of the Pharmaceutical Association of the State University of Iowa, held at Iowa City, April 3rd, 1901, and April 1st, 1902.

History of Maritime Quarantine in Louisiana Against Yellow Fever. By Dr. Quitman Kohnke.

## DEATHS.

Dr. J. G. Neal died at Santa Rosa on October 11, of septicemia, which followed an operation on an abscess of some years existence. Dr. Neal was a native of Kentucky and had practiced his profession in Sonoma county for six years.

Dr. George W. Carpenter died October 3, at his residence in San Francisco, 1422 Post street, in the 80th year of his age. He was born in Indiana and graduated from Medical Department University of Michigan in 1853.

Dr. L. C. Winsor, who removed from San Jose to Livermore a few months ago, died on October 22d at his home, of consumption. Some years ago Dr. Winsor was connected with the county hospital at Denver, Colo. He was 41 years of age.